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Dear Harold,

Sorry to take so long in responding. I have come back to Houston for a while, in order to do some work and get a little cash together for law school beginning 9/17.

Now that I'm in Houston I can check up on your informant, as you requested. By the way, I got your letter the day I left L.B. for here. I remember quite well the lady you are wondering about. Unfortunately as you recalled in your letter I didn't get to meet her, because you were kind on insisting that I see my brother, who has recently moved from West Germany to Belgium. He's still a 1 Lt. in Army. Anyway, I remembef we were in the waiting room of the D.A.'s office talking. You had been in Sciambra's office making alot of calls, and this gal was one of them, you told me about. You told me she was stoned, so we couldn't see her then. In fact, come to think of it, I now recall that you told me about her the night I picked you up at the airport. You said she was a strange chick, a little weird, but she had given you some amazing information, which turned out to be good and worthwhile. Did she know Oswald? I've forgotten the details.

In any event, I'll be glad to look into the public records and report to you. A \$150,000 bail is absolutely incredible even in Texas, which has some of the toughest drug laws in the country. Do you really think she was planning to off Nixon; were you serious about that? Speaking of which, do you see any connection between the slatest plot and the one to kill Kennedy, also in N.O.?

The problem, though, in doing this, is that in your letter you do not mention her name, and I am sure you did not tell it to me when we were together. If you'll send it to me, I'll get what I can, and send to you right away.

It's wonderful to hear that you're writing a book on Watergate. I now feel fully assured that the matter will be put in proper perspective, thanks to you. Were it not for you, a clear understanding of why President Kennedy was assassinated would never have been possible. I am appalled that the government is still hiding its analysis of the bullet it says wounded Kennedy and Connally. Like the tapes of Nixon, there is obviously more to fear from release than from embarrassment over continuing to fight disclosure.

I'm saving Garrison trial clippings for you.

Are you still on good terms with Bud Fensterwald?

Hope all is well with you.

(See over)

Did you see the President's press conference 8/22?
He made several amazing remarks, implying that he now admits that the assassination was a conspiracy. It was the first time, to my knowledge, that the government has officially and publically announced this. He brought it up obliquely, while defending his policy of wiretapping. He said that Robert Kennedy as A.G. had authorized twice as many taps as during the Eisenhower or Nixon administrations. But, he said, if he could have had just ten more and learned about the Oswald plan, it would have been worth it. Later on, he added, he wasn't sure that would have happened but if he could have learned about the conspiracy it would have been worthwhile. I am positive he used the word conspiracy, although he may have equivocated slightly. I am trying to get my Congressman, Bill Archer, to get me a copy of the official White House transcript.

Nixon is a devious man, as I have known for years. In his book on McCarthy, Roy Cohn tells an interesting story about how Nixon, as V.P., maneuvered McCarthy out of investigating the C.I.A. Later, though, Nixon issued a press release calling for the firing of J.B. Mathews, a McCarthy staffer who had made an ambarassing statement about clergymen. McCarthy was at the White House at the time, so in order to stall McCarthy until the statement was released, Nixon and William Rogers (then A.G.) discussed with McCarthy the possibility of investigating the C.I.A.

It was a ruse, of course. And it is possible that once again, Nixon brought up this subject (the assassination) which he had previously opposed investigating, to subterfuge Watergate.

It makes me want to puke. But people are not fooled as they once were, thank God.

Please take care of yourself, and hope we can get together before very much longer.

Your friend,